

March 11, 1998

Col. Leo W. Haseman  
Director, Division of Enforcement  
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources  
500 Lafayette Road  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4047

RE: In the Matter of the Trespass Citation Issued to Wendell John Braun; OAH  
Docket No. 6-2000-11512-2

Dear Colonel Haseman:

On March 5, 1998, a prehearing conference was held in this matter. Participating in the conference were Wendell Braun, Conservation Officer Gary Thell, Tom Braesch of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, and the undersigned.

After discussing the matter, Mr. Braun determined that there was no point in proceeding to a formal hearing, and he agreed to pay the fine in the citation.

Basically, a snowmobile club maintains a trail in this area, which crosses the railroad tracks. The trail was poorly marked, and existing snowmobile tracks suggested to Mr. Braun that the appropriate route of travel was, it turned out, on land owned by the railway. The railway corridor in this area was properly marked, but Mr. Braun did not see the signs.

Mr. Braun should send a check or money order, made payable to "Department of Natural Resources" to the following address:

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Enforcement Division  
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St. Paul, MN 55155-4047

In light of the agreement not to pursue this matter any further, I am closing our file and returning the official record to you.

Sincerely,

AWK/lr  
Enclosures  
cc: Wendell J. Braun  
Conservation Officer Gary Thell

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